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# Agricultural Stewardship Scope Definition Joint Subcommittee Meeting #1

## Review of Problems and Opportunities

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## Review

- Problems and Opportunities are needed to support the development of Goals, Objectives, and Management actions for the CVFPP.
- Regional WGs discussed Problems and Opportunities at during their meetings #1 through #4.
- Problems and Opportunities will be described in Chapter 3 of the Regional Conditions Summary Report.

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## Definitions

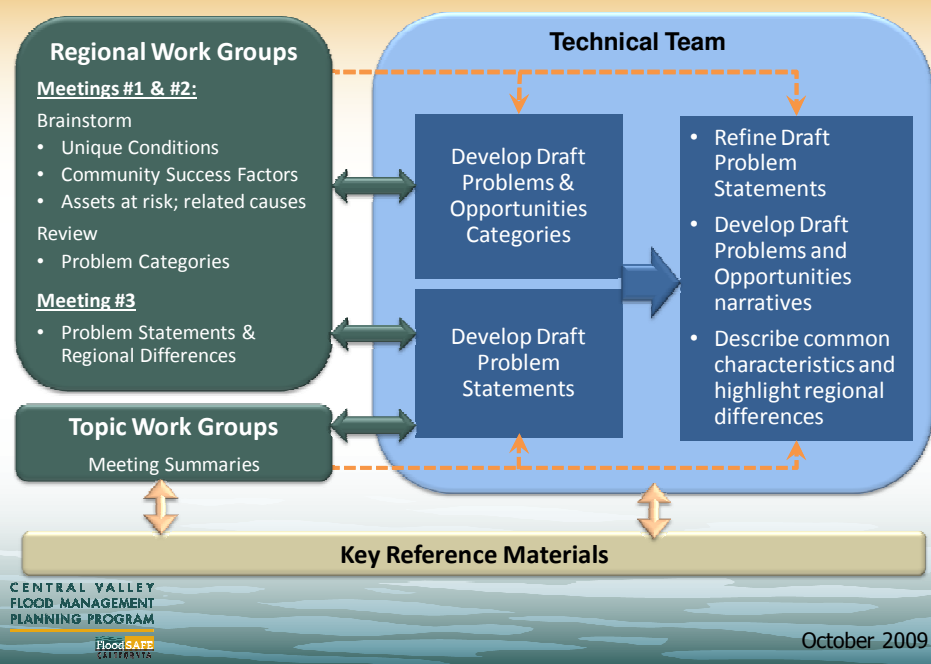
- **Problem Statements** – Detailed descriptions of the basic problems (*i.e., ‘things’ that are broken or will likely be broken in the future*).
- **Opportunities** – Outlines actions that could further increase the value of CVFPP actions (*i.e., good things we can do while addressing identified problems*).

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## How Problems and Opportunities were Developed



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## Examples of Agriculture Related Problem Statements

- Statements regarding problems specific to agriculture were identified by WGs through meeting exercises and brainstorming.
  - Flooding of cropland causes severe damage to local and regional economies. Jobs are lost until crops can be replaced and workers may depart from the community as a result.
  - There is a lack of honest assessment about flooding risks to farm infrastructure and crops and a lack of preparation for those risks.
  - Available funding for creating and maintaining the required level of protection is unequal between urban and rural areas
- The WG input provided an understanding of how the problems varied locally and regionally.

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## How Opportunities Identified

- Work Group input:
  - Opportunities identified during Problems discussion
  - Community Success Factors
  - Reference list
- Technical teams summarized opportunities in conjunction with problem narratives.



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## Example Opportunity Statements

- There is an opportunity to delineate responsibility for post flood recovery actions. It is more likely that post flood recovery actions will be completed if the responsible person or agency are clearly identified.
- There are opportunities for restoration activities both within bypasses and along natural channels in the system. Flood risk reduction, ecosystem restoration, recreation and agriculture could be integrated to take advantage of opportunities to maximize overall project benefits, similar to the activities occurring at the Yolo Basin Wildlife Area.

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## In Summary . . .

- 20 draft problem statements; 5 broad categories
- Developed from Work Group input
- Opportunities described as part of Problem Statement narrative
- Problem statements support:
  - Development of CVFPP Goals and Objectives (ongoing)
  - Development of Draft Management Actions (future step)

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## Next Steps

- Subcommittee worksheet exercise to review/refine Draft Problem Statements (today)
- Technical teams use Regional Conditions and Topic Work Group input to revise Draft Problem Statements (ongoing)
- Report back to Subcommittee on major comments received and to present revised Draft Problem Statements (Meeting #2)

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## Subcommittee Worksheet Exercise Problem Statement Review and Refinement

**For this exercise, consider the following:**

- (1) Do the problem statements need refinement as they relate to agricultural stewardship, and if so, how?
- (2) Are there other agricultural stewardship related issues that need to be added, and if so, what are they?

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